

Medi-Cal Health Care Program Update

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Rescinding Cases Within 30 Days of Termination

When a beneficiary returns a signed and completed Annual Redetermination or Mid-Year Status Report (MSR) within 30 days after the case has been terminated for failure to return one of these forms, eligibility must be determined as though the form was submitted on time. The EW must also rescind the termination when a case is terminated for other reasons and the beneficiary complies within 30 days after termination with the needed information. This 30-day period is also known as the "cure" month. The beneficiary shall not be asked to re-apply nor discouraged from complying within the "cure" month (the 30 days after termination). For instructions on Rescission Procedures, refer to the LEADER Handbook.

Reference: Manual Letter #369, dated 09/06/01 **APG**

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Medicare & Medicare Part D

Don't be confused by the Other Health Care Coverage Screen's drop down! This information is automatically updated to LEADER through the MEDS-LEADER interface. There is no need for Eligibility Workers to choose either "Medicare HMO" or "Medicare Part D", for choosing either one will generate an ALERT! These Medicare items are not user selectable and LEADER will not accept the EW's update of the Medicare items in the OHC Screen. These two items were added to LEADER to cut down on MEDS alerts, and Medi-Cal Program acknowledges that new alerts have resulted. Medi-Cal Program is currently working on a LEADER Change Request to fix the problem and possibly remove the items from the drop down. Your administrator may contact the appropriate analyst at Medi-Cal Program Section if questions arise. **IC**

Systematic Alien Verification To Entitlement

The Systematic Alien Verification To Entitlement (SAVE) System is a fast and convenient method of requesting immigration status information from the United States Citizenship Immigration Services (USCIS).

To generate a SAVE abstract, the Eligibility Worker (EW) must enter the Alien Number on the *Individual Attributes Summary* screen on LEADER. The SAVE abstract will automatically be generated via an interface with USCIS within one or two days. The SAVE document is returned to the district office via the MEDS printer.

- If Satisfactory Immigration Status (SIS) is confirmed, the response on the SAVE document will read "Legal Permanent Resident employment authorized."
- If it is not confirmed, the response will read, "Institute Secondary Verification." To institute Secondary Verification, you must send a legible photocopy (front and back) of the unexpired documentation provided by the applicant along with a completed G-845 to USCIS.
- If all other eligibility requirements are met (including linkage), full scope Medi-Cal benefits shall be approved pending immigration status confirmation from USCIS.

The SAVE abstract and the G-845 documents must be filed in the Documentation folder and retained in the case record permanently.

Reference: Medi-Cal Eligibility Procedures Manual Article No. 7 

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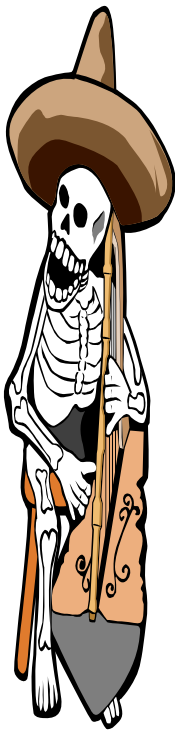
LEADER GENERATED CW 2.1Q

The March 2008 Medi-Cal Program Update contained a *misprint* noting that the CW 2.1Q Child/Medical Support Questionnaire was not LEADER generated. However, the CW 2.1Q **is** LEADER generated, and is accessible via the LEADER Data Collection Absent Parent/Unmarried Parent Summary screen.

Please note that the **CW 2.1 Notice and Agreement for Child, spousal, and Medical Support** is not yet LEADER generated and must still be completed manually (out of drawer).

Reference: Medi-Cal Eligibility Procedures Manual Article 23

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2008 Bridging Performance Standards What's new?

This year, our department is required to provide documentation when reporting on Bridging Performance Standards. The Daily No SOC to SOC list used by staff when evaluating children for the Bridging program will **also** be used by the State to audit our cases. Staff is reminded to ensure the LEADER generated SOC NOA is mailed; use the Free Format template when sending the notice to inform of the additional no SOC month; make sure 7X aid code is updated on MEDS and if consent was given, send the Medi-Cal to Healthy Families Transmittal to Healthy Families. Otherwise, initiate a request for consent. Remember all actions must be completed within five working days of the SOC determination and documented in **Case Comments**.

Reference: ACWDL 07-03 and 07-09.

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“GOT AN MC330?”

WHAT IS AN MC330?

The MC330 is the NEWBORN REFERRAL form which is used to report the birth of a newborn child.

WHO RECEIVES THE MC330 ?

The MC330s are sent to the Medi-Cal Mail-In District 89 where designated staff conduct a case clearance through MEDS and LEADER.

WHO PROCESSES THE MC330 ?

Once the mom's case is found, staff from Dist 89 send a Newborn Referral Transmittal, **PA6008**, along with the **MC330** and the MEDS and LEADER printouts to the assigned district. This information is then forwarded to the case carrying worker to add the newborn's information to the case.

HOW LONG DO I HAVE TO PROCESS THE MC330 ?

10 Days - The case carrying worker has 10 DAYS from the date stamped on the MC330 to ensure the newborn's information is added to the mom's case and active on MEDS. (The 10 day processing period is established with the received date stamped by Dist 89)

PLEASE NOTE: TO AVOID CREATING A DUPLICATE CIN NUMBER- EW'S ARE TO REVIEW MEDS RECORDS FOR A POTENTIAL EXISTING CIN AND USE THAT NUMBER IF ONE ALREADY EXISTS.

Reference: Administrative Bulletin #2311, dated 03-23-06
Administrative Directive #4201 Supp I, dated 04-20-05
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